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SUBJECT: FED CORN TRADE FOR GUINEA

ROME FOR FODAG, PARIS/GENEVA PASS D.S. BROWN

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1. AID/W GREATLY APPRECIATES USEC EFFORTS RELATIVE TO CORN TRADE WHICH COULD HAVE ASSISTED IF EARLY AGREEMENT COULD HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED.

2. COMMISSION PROPOSAL PRESENTS TWO VERY SPECIFIC PROBLEMS WHICH AID/W CANNOT EFFECTIVELY RESOLVE. FIRST, RESTITUTION OF THE CORN AT THE PORT OF DAKAR WITHIN 30 DAYS WILL DO NOTHING TO ACCOMPLISH AT LEAST ONE OF THE INITIAL OBJECTIVES WHICH WAS ALLEVIATION OF CONGESTION OF THE PORT. SECONDLY, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR THE U.S. TO PROVIDE RESTITUTION FROM U.S. STOCKS IN NEW JUTE BAGS.

3. IT IS OUR FEELING THAT, WHILE RENEGOTIATION MIGHT STILL BE POSSIBLE, IT WOULD MEAN FURTHER SIGNIFICANT DELAYS IN MEETING THE GUINEA REQUIREMENT. WE ARE PROCEEDING, THEREFORE, WITH AN ALTERNATIVE ACTION WHICH WILL MOST LIKELY INVOLVE A MIX OF TRANSHIPMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 1.600 TONS OF SORGHUM FROM DAKAR AND DIRECT SHIPMENT OF CORN FROM U.S. STOCKS.

4. REQUEST THAT US MISSION EC CONVEY OUR APPRECIATION TO THE FED FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION OF OUR PROPOSAL, NOTING THAT, WHILE WE MAY NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO AGREE THIS PARTICULAR CASE BECAUSE OF IMMEDIATE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS, WE FEEL THE GENERAL IDEA HAS MERIT FOR CONTINGENCY ACTIONS AND PERHAPS, WITH SOME INCREASED FLEXIBILITY, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO MUTUALLY ASSIST WITH THIS SORT OF TRANSACTION IN THE FUTURE. DECONTROL
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